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AMENDMENT B

Sir:

Pursuant to a Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Letter to Examiner begins on Page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

Dear Mr. McClellan:

In addition to an official response, I wanted to personally communicate and seek advice on how to meaningfully progress this application. I feel there is a gap in my understanding of what we are presenting in terms of the innovation in these claims and your perception of the same in light of the references cited.

I do strongly believe that we have some key ideas which are innovative. One, the engineering design itself considers probability distribution functions for parameters such as load and strengths of material. This is not done in any of the prior art because it is new. Second, the use of economic parameters and market parameters for optimizing the design is unique. No one to date has done this. The key here is that the product design will be different based on these constraints. Third, all of these new design methods, optimization formulations, market data of distributions and economics come together in a usable web-based computer system. It is impossible to do this without these web systems.

I have read Kim's patent and find that they have taken an existing design methodology for shallow burial concrete pipes, which is widely used in the industry and provided a user interface based computer system. The benefit may be ease of use and speed, but not in terms of design. Theirs is a static design, no risk distribution based design, no live market data integrations and no optimization of design. Demmer doesn't integrate with procurement systems to obtain different design outcome. Demmer's computer system is a project management and scheduling system which includes scheduling of material procurement necessary for die manufacturing, which is a common engineering design, procurement and construction process. In Demmer's system, the design is already completed or fed into by customer requirements. The market place economic, engineering, timing data does not influence the design. Hence, what we claim is fundamentally different.

So, as you can see I am at a loss. I am not certain how else to present this innovation and claims to be made acceptable. Hence, I respectfully seek your advice.

We have amended some of the claims to speak specifically to your objections. My general remarks will largely speak to your specific objections with examples of how our innovation is different and new.

Yours truly,

Dr. Srinivas Bette'